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**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following list supercedes all prior listings of the claims:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A patch package comprising:  
a first sheet consisting of:

a first moisture-permeable material layer comprising a first resin  
and having a moisture permeability of 40-120 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day;

a first screen material layer for blocking penetration of moisture  
and light; and

a first hygroscopic material layer located between the first  
moisture-permeable material layer and the first screen material layer and  
comprising a first resin containing 20-40 wt% of inorganic filler; and

a second sheet consisting of:

a second moisture-permeable material layer comprising a second  
resin and having a moisture permeability of 40-120 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day, the second  
moisture-permeable layer facing to the first moisture-permeable material  
layer;

a second screen material layer for blocking penetration of  
moisture and light; and

a second hygroscopic material layer located between the second  
moisture-permeable material layer and the second screen material layer  
and comprising a second resin containing 20-40 wt% of inorganic filler;

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the first moisture-permeable layer and the second moisture-permeable layer being directly in contact with each other at peripheral areas thereof and fixed to each other at the peripheral areas by heating heat sealing to form a package shape.

Claim 2 (currently amended): A patch package according to claim 1, wherein said the first resin and said the second resin are low density polyethylene, and said the screen material layer comprises a metal foil and a high density polyethylene layer.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A patch package according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of the hygroscopic material layer is 20-40  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  
the thickness of said the moisture-permeable material layer is 5-15  $\mu\text{m}$ ,  
the thickness of said the high-density polyethylene layer composing said the screen material layer is 10-30  $\mu\text{m}$  and  
the thickness of said the metal foil composing said the screen material layer is 5-15  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 4 (previously presented): A patch package according to claim 1, wherein the heat seal strength is from 1.0 kg/25 mm to 5.0 kg/25 mm.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A packaged patch comprising a patch having a support and a pressure-sensitive adhesive laminated on said the support in a patch package according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the pressure-sensitive adhesive is composed mainly of a styrene-isoprene-styrene blocked copolymer, and wherein the total surface area of the interior of said the patch package is 1.2-10 times the effective area of said patch.

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Claim 6 canceled.

Claim 7 canceled.

Claim 8 canceled.

Claim 9 canceled.

Claim 10 canceled.

Claim 11 canceled.

Claim 12 canceled.